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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: PHILIPPINE DELEGATION TO 60TH ILO CONFERENCE

1. PRESIDENT MARCOS ON MAY 20 APPROVED 17-MAN TRI-PARTITE DELEGATION TO ATTEND 60TH ILO CONFERENCE. UNUSUALLY LARGE GOVERNMENT GROUP (9 COMPARED TO 4 IN 1974) INCLUDES BACKSTOP PERSONNEL TO ASSIST LABOR SECRETARY OPLE IN EXPECTED FUNCTIONS AS PRESIDENT OF ILO CONFERENCE.

2. GOP DELEGATION: LABOR SECRETARY BLAS OPLE, VISITING MINISTER; RONY DIAZ (DIRECTOR GENERAL, NATIONAL MAN-POWER AND YOUTH CENTER), DELEGATE AND CHAIRMAN OF DELEGATION; AMBASSADOR HORTENCIO BRILLANTES (GENEVA), DELEGATE; LABATT FELINA REYES (GENEVA), ALTERNATE RE DELEGATE AND ADVISOR; CARMELO NORIEL (DIRECTOR, BUREAU OF LABOR RELATIONS, DOL), ALTERNATE DELEGATE AND ADVISOR; ANDRES DINGLAS (SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSIONER, GENERAL

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SECRETARY OF PTGWO TRADE UNION), ADVISOR; RACHEL FIDELINO

(CHAIRMAN, WAGE COMMISSION), ADVISOR; MILAGROS CRUZ (SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO OPLE), ADVISOR AND SECRETARY OF DELEGATION; AND LINDA BOLIDO, ADVISOR.

3. WORKER DELEGATION: ROBERTO OCA (PRESIDENT TUCP AND RECENTLY NAMED CHAIRMAN OF "UNIFIED" NATIONAL LABOR COORDINATING CENTER), DELEGATE; DEMOCRITO MENDOZA (PRESIDENT ALULN ALTERNATE; JUAN C. TAN (PRESIDENT FFW), ADVISOR; AND JEREMIAS MONTEMAYOR (PRESIDENT FFF), ADVISOR

4. EMPLOYER DELEGATION: AURELIO PERIQUET, JR. (CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE PHILIPPINES), DELEGATE; MIGUEL VARELA (PHILIPPINE CHAMBER OF INDUSTRIES), ALTERNATE; RAOUL INNOCENTES (PHILIPPINE COUNCIL OF MANAGEMENT), ADVISOR; AND BENILDO HERNANDEZ (PRESIDENT, PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES), ADVISOR.

5. OPLE COMMENTED AS FOLLOWS TO LABATT DURING COURSE MAY 21 MEETING. HE HAS SENT TELEGRAM TO ASIAN LABOR MINISTERS SUGGESTING ASIAN CAUCUS JUNE 2. ISRAEL AND NUMBER MIDDLE EAST NATIONS (SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED IRAQ AND SOME OF PERSIAN GULF STATES) SEEKING ENTRY INTO ASIAN BLOC, BUT THERE APPEARS BE GENERAL CONSENSUS NOT RPT NOT TO ADMIT THEM AT THIS TIME. IRAN, AS RECENTLY ACCEPTED MEMBER OF ASIAN BLOC, APPARENTLY PARTICULARLY OPPOSED TO INCLUSION OTHER MIDDLE EAST NATIONS.

6. OPLE BRACING HIMSELF FOR TUMULTUOUS SESSION. STATED HE HAD NO RECENT WORD ON POL INTENTIONS, NOR ON POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION PRC. EXPRESSED PERSONAL OPINION KHMER ROUGE AND NEW SOUTH VIETNAMESE GOVERNMENTS WOULD PROBABLY BE REPRESENTED. WITH RESPECT QUESTION REGIONAL ALLOCATION OF SEATS (STATE 111336). OPLE PROFESSED HAVE NO STRONG FEELINGS ONE WAY OR OTHER ALTHOUGH HE DID BELIEVE ASIA DESERVED LARGER REPRESENTATION.

7. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH OPLE WILL BE WXTREMELY SENSITIVE TO ANY SUGGESTION HE UNDULY CLOSE TO U.S. DELEGATION (I.E. LITTLE BROWN BROTHERS OF AMERICANS BIT), EMBASSY CONFIDENTIAL

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CONFIDENT HE WILL GIVE SYMPATHETIC CONSIDERATION OUR VIEWS. AS PRESIDENT, HE PLANS RELY HEAVILY ON NORIEL (FORMERLY LAVATT IN HAWAII AND GOOD FRIEND OF U.S.) FOR BACKUP ASSISTANCE AND COORDINATION, POINT WHICH U.S. DELEGATION MAY WISH KEEP IN MIND. INTERESTING NOTE THAT IN KEEPING WITH UNDERSTANDING REACHED AMONG ASIAN LABOR MINISTERS AT MELBOURNE, PHILIPPINES PAYING TRIBUTE TO INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S YEAR (IWY) BY RESERVING ALMOST

HALF (4 OUT OF 9) GOVERNMENT DELEGATION SLOTS FOR WOMEN.  
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